

LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

11/14/06

6:00PM

Present: Dan McCauley, Vice-Chair/Acting Chair
Wendy Young, Member
Deborah Atno-Shelton, Chair
Chris Ruble, *Affiliate: Liberty Point*.
Jaime Marion, *Affiliate: ALT (Waynesboro)*
Joe Tuell, MSN, CCCA Fac. Dir.
Pam White, CCCA LHRC Liaison

Jim Hall, Secretary
Macy Fox, Member
Joe Morris, *Affiliate: Shenandoah House/Intercept*
Kathryn Dickerson, *Affiliate: Liberty Point*
Teresa Kennedy, *Affiliate: Family Preservation Svcs.*
Randy Urgo, DMHMRSAS/Acting Advocate

Guest: Justine Waits, *Prospective Affiliate-Lutheran Family Services*

Minutes Prepared by: Pamela White

Approved by:


Jim Hall, Secretary

CURRENT AGENDA	FUTURE AGENDA
1. Call to Order; Review of Minutes	1. Call to Order; Review of Minutes
2. General: Affiliated Programs	2. General: Affiliated Programs
3. Advocate's Report	3. Advocate's Report
4. CCCA Facility Director's Report	4. CCCA Facility Director's Report
5. Adjourn	5. The next regular CCCA LHRC meeting has been scheduled for 01/16/07 @ 6:00pm.

1. Dan McCauley-Acting Chair called the meeting to order with round table introductions, welcoming all present. Randy Urgo-Acting Advocate commented that he was attending on behalf of Advocate Mark Seymour. The LHRC minutes of 09/19/06 were reviewed.

Action: The CCCA LHRC minutes of 09/19/06 were approved as presented.

2. Justine Waits-Lutheran Family Services presented a program request for LHRC affiliation, providing an overview of the services currently provided. She described the organization as providing foster care, adoptions, and mentoring, noting that the affiliation would only apply to those families receiving services in the Augusta County locality. Ms. Waits commented that Lutheran Family Services was already affiliated with LHRCs in both Rockingham and Rockbridge counties for clients in those regions. She stated that all employee receive human rights training upon hiring and annual training thereafter, noting currently that each staff member may have up to 6 children.

Action: The CCCA LHRC approved the affiliation of Lutheran Family Services and provided Ms. Waits with a meeting schedule.

3. General discussion items from the affiliates that were represented include:
 - Chris Ruble-Liberty Point reported that 37 of 38 beds were filled, with the expectation of another admission towards the end of the week.
 - Joe Morris-Shenandoah House/Intercept reported that their triennial licensure visit was coming in December 2006. He added that the program had not had any major complaints and that while the Length-of-Stay (LOS) of its residents was usually 6 months to one year, there have been youngsters who've stayed as long as three years.
 - Teresa Kennedy-Family Preservation Services stated that the virtual program had been initiated and was in its early stages.
 - Jaime Marion-Augusta League of Therapists related that his program involved intensive in-home services and he confirmed that Mark Seymour-Advocate usually conducted the annual mandatory human rights training for the staff.
4. Jim Hall-Secretary presented the draft CCCA LHRC Affiliation Agreement for review and discussion.

Action: The CCCA LHRC discussed the draft, making several recommendations. The CCCA LHRC will review it again at the next meeting.

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5. Joe Tuell-Facility Director presented the Facility Director's Report stating that for 07/01/06-10/31/06, the Center had 158 admissions. He stated that with an approximate 63% return on satisfaction surveys, 95% of those were very pleased with the Center's services. Mr. Tuell reported that since the last CCCA LHRC meeting, the Center had two preliminary investigations and 4 in-house reviews, noting that the primary complaints have been about food. He mentioned highlights that included an increase in Activities Therapy offerings (80-100 per week) for patients and that Dave Dawson had been rehired in the Unit Program Director position. Mr. McCauley confirmed from a recent personal experience that the Center was proactive in encouraging patient participation in a variety of activities such as art and music therapy.